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Community News

Pioneer Days Outlook Good

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Carbondale — "The weather-man says he'll be here today with his fair weather as the 10th Annual Pioneer Days enters day four of the six-day celebration.

After a rainy start Wednesday, the community celebration went full swing. In the morning, more than 85 police officers gathered at Carbondale Area High School practice field to participate in the Carbondale Police Department Combat Pistol Competition. Several of them competed in nonresidents competition. The competition continued throughout the day under the direction of Patrolman Ronald Tezzano. Scores are being compiled and will be announced in Friday's *Scranton Times*.

Tonight's visitors to Pioneer Days will have an opportunity to win more than $400 worth of prizes.

Tonight is David A. Adams Cable Television night. For the 53 months of free cable television service valued at approximately $477. There is nothing to buy. All one has to do is sign up at the Pioneer Days showmobile between 7 and 9 p.m. Later in the evening, the prizes will be drawn. The grand prize is one year of free basic cable service. The two first prizes are six months of free basic service. And the 10 second prizes are three months of free basic service.

The drawing is open to all persons residing in the territory covered by the firm. The prizes are for regular basic cable service only. Home Box Office, additional attachments, FM radio, and special services are not included. Winners of first and second prizes will also be eligible for the grand prize drawing, but should that happen a substitute first or second prize winner will be drawn.

Tonight's entertainment being sponsored by the Adams firm will be highlighted by the "Irish Balladeers" who are making their second appearance at Pioneer Days.

Steve Gallinot, entertainment chairman, said "Last year, people came to Carbondale from all over to see the Balladeers and liked them so much we decided to bring them back again. I think we had half of Dunmore here to see them last year. They put on a real good show."

The free entertainment begins at 6 p.m. with the Beaus and Belles Square Dancers of First United Methodist Church. At 7 p.m. the Kitchen Band takes to the stage. This band consists of local senior citizens who sing and play instruments with the vigor of 16-year-olds. It will be the fourth straight year at Pioneer Days for the Kitchen Band.

From 7 to 9 p.m., the historical series presented by the Committee To Restore City Hall continues. The theme tonight's program will be "Railroads Past, Present and Future", presented by John Kiefer Jr. in city council chambers.

The Irish Balladeers take to the stage at 8:30 p.m. for a three-and-a-half-hour concert of Irish tunes.

Friday's day activities include free blood sugar, scoliosis, blood pressure, and glaucoma screenings in city council chambers sponsored by St. Joseph's Hospital. The Bicycle Decorating Contest for the kids will be at 2 p.m. in Memorial Park with trophies and ribbons being awarded. The historical presentation will be "Carbondale's Three City Halls" by S. Robert Powell from 2 to 4 p.m. in council chambers.

Pioneer Days concludes Saturday night.